## Declaration, Power of Alorney

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We (I), the undersigned inventor(s), hereby declare(s) that:

the specification of which

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We (I) believe that we are (I am) the original, first, and joint (sole) inventor(s) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

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And we (I) hereby appoint Messrs. HERBERT. B. KEIL, Registration Number 18,967; and RUSSEL E. WEINKAUF, Registration Number 18,495: the address of both being Messrs. Keil & Weinkauf, 1101 Connecticut Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036 (telephone 202-659-0100), our attorneys, with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application, to make alterations and amendments therein, to sign the drawings, to receive the patent, and to transact all business in the Patent Office connected therewith.

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